

Chapter 150

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Granby as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Town property — See Ch. 41.

Violation and citation hearing procedures — See Ch. 58.

Numbering of buildings — See Ch. 83.

Loitering — See Ch. 106.

Nuisances — See Ch. 114.

Vehicles and traffic — See Ch. 170.

ARTICLE I

Street Acceptance and Naming

[Adopted 3-23-1962]

§ 150-1. Eligibility for acceptance.

- A. No road or right-of way which came into existence after May 7, 1953, or road that has been abandoned by official Town action, with the exception of those roads enumerated under Subsection B, shall be accepted as a Town road unless it meets the highway specifications of the Town as they were at the time of the approval of the road by the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- B. Private roads.
 - (1) The following enumerated private roads, known by these names on the date of the adoption of this article and whose general location is shown on the Tax Maps of the Town prepared in 1956, shall be eligible for acceptance as provided below. A portion of these roads connected to an accepted road shall be eligible for acceptance in the same manner.¹

Allen Place
Allen Road
Basile Road
Baycrest Drive
Centerwood Drive
East Lakeview Drive
Glen Road Extension
Hemlock Road
Hilltop Road
Lakeside Drive
Manitook Lake Road

¹. Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).

Morgan Street
Pendleton Road (Country Club Road)
Pine Hill Drive
Shattuck Avenue
Spring Glen Drive Extension
Stafford Road
West Lakeview Drive

- (2) The above-named roads will be eligible for acceptance, provided:
- (a) The residents thereon and/or other interested citizens present to the Board of Selectmen a cloth map prepared by a licensed surveyor or registered engineer showing an adequate right-of-way and necessary easements for drainage which will be deeded to the Town.
 - (b) The property abutting the road in question is entirely divided into building lots or at least five families live there year round; and
 - (c) The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends that the acceptance of this road will not hinder the orderly development of the Town.

§ 150-2. Improvement and reconstruction.

Subject to the provisions Connecticut General Statutes, § 8-24, as amended, the Board of Selectmen shall have the power to decide which Town dirt roads shall be improved and which paved roads reconstructed or improved.

§ 150-3. Naming of roads.

- A. The ordinance of October 14, 1948, found in Volume 5, pages 53-46 of the Town Minutes is hereby repealed. Existing names of Town roads, as set by this ordinance and subsequent votes of Town Meetings, shall remain unchanged. The Planning and Zoning Commission shall file a list of those names with the Board of Selectmen.
- B. The naming of streets in proposed subdivisions shall be governed by Section V of the Subdivision Regulations. Once approved, the Planning and Zoning Commission shall notify the Board of Selectmen of the designated name.²
- C. The owner of or the residents on a private road shall submit to the Planning and Zoning Commission three possible names for such road in preferential order. The Planning and Zoning Commission shall designate the first name on the list that is in keeping with the health, safety, and welfare of the Town as the official name. If no name is acceptable, then the residents or owner shall be asked to submit additional suggestions. Once it is decided, the designated name shall be filed with the Board of Selectmen.
- D. Once a name is adopted as provided in Subsections A, B or C, such name may be changed only in the following manner:

². Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).

- (1) Upon receiving a petition containing at least 25 signatures, the Board of Selectmen shall hold a public hearing. There shall be at least five days' notice to the Town Clerk of the hearing.³
- (2) Following the hearing, the Board of Selectmen, by majority vote, may change the name.
- (3) It is not necessary in the case of a Town road that the petition contain an alternate name nor is it necessary that the Board of Selectmen, in changing a name of a Town road, accept a name presented in a petition. However, no name may be used that was not discussed at the public hearing. In the case of a private road, the new name shall be approved by the owner or resident thereof.⁴

ARTICLE II
Removal of Snow and Ice
[Adopted 11-7-1994]

§ 150-4. Town liability.

- A. Pursuant to the authority of C.G.S. § 7-163a, the provisions of which are hereby adopted, the Town shall not be liable to any person injured in person or property caused by the presence of ice or snow on a public sidewalk unless the land (other than a highway or street) abutting the sidewalk is in the possession and control of the Town.
- B. Nothing herein is intended to relieve the Town from any liability for its affirmative acts with respect to such sidewalks.

§ 150-5. Duty of owner of land abutting sidewalk; liability.

The owner or person in possession and control of land abutting a public sidewalk shall have the same duty of care with respect to the presence of ice or snow on such sidewalk toward the portion of the sidewalk abutting his property as the Town had prior to the effective date of this article and shall be liable to persons injured in person or property where a breach of said duty is the proximate cause of said injury.

§ 150-6. Time limit for removal; penalties for offenses.

- A. The owner or occupant of any building or lot of land abutting any street, square or public place within the Town where there is a graded or paved sidewalk shall cause to be removed therefrom all snow, sleet, and ice and shall cause such sidewalk to be made safe for travel and use by covering the same with sand or other suitable substance within eight hours after said snow or sleet shall have fallen, or ice has formed, except that if the snow or sleet fell or the ice formed between 8:00 p.m. on any day and sunrise on the next day, the snow, sleet or ice shall be removed or

³. Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).

⁴. Editor's Note: Original Sec. IV, House numbers, which immediately followed this subsection, was deleted at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I). See now Ch. 83, Buildings, Numbering of.

covered within eight hours of sunrise. Any person who violates any provisions of this article shall be fined not more than \$250.⁵

- B. Any person receiving a notice of violation of the provisions of this article may appear at the office of the Tax Collector of the Town prior to the time specified in said notice, such payment shall bar a prosecution for such violation of this article.

§ 150-7. Removal by Town; charge to owner or occupant.

In the event of any violation of § 150-6A, in addition to any other remedies provided in this article, the Town may cause the snow, sleet, and ice to be removed or may cause the sidewalk to be made safe for travel and use by covering the same with sand or other suitable material at the expense of the owner or occupant in violation. Upon the failure of the owner or occupant to pay the charge therefor within 15 days, a notice of such charge shall be filed in the office of the Town Clerk and shall constitute a lien on the premises abutting such sidewalks.

⁵. Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).